Statement

PRIME MINISTER'S INTEGRATED URBAN POVERTY ERADICATION PROGRAMME (PMI UPEP) — RELEASE OF FUNDS DURING 1995-96.

sl. No.	State/U.T.	central funds released (Rs. in Lakhs)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	980.58
2.	Assam	120.00
3.	Bihar	819.37
4.	Goa	90.00
5.	Gujarat	583.59
6.	Haryana	183.03
7.	Karanataka	634.59
8.	Kerala	263.20
9.	Madhya Pradesh	772.87
10.	Maharashtra	948.60
11.	Nagaland	60.00
12.	Orissa	269.17
13.	Punjab	306.30
14.	Rajasthan	506.27
15.	Tamil Nadu	1,046.37
16.	Uuutar Pradesh	1,516.63
17.	West Bengal	679.43
18	A & N Islands	50.00*
19.	Pondicherry	30.00

*FUNDS ARE BEING RELEASED.

Condition of Hospitals in U.P.

828. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a headline news in Indian Express dated the 10th February, 1996 under the caption "U.P. Government keep hospital in the dark"; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken by Government in the interest of the patients of the hospital?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE MINITER OF WATER RESOURCES) (SHRI A. R. ANTULAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Ban on reducing airfares on private airlines

829. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a ban on private airlines reducing airfares;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether private airlines will be encouraged to reduce fares; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d): Airlines operators are free to fix fares in their best commercial judgement.